

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Reconsideration and allowance of the present application based on the following remarks are respectfully requested.

Upon entry of the above amendments, claims 1-6 and 8, as amended, will be pending. The claims were amended to conform to the Examiner's instructions requiring that only elected species be presented. Claim 13 has been canceled to expedite prosecution. Accordingly, no new matter has been introduced.

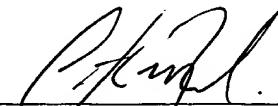
Claims 1-6, 8 and 13 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph for being indefinite. Although the Applicant believes the rejected phrase to be definite, the Applicant has amended the claims to expedite prosecution by reformulating this phrase with equivalent language to that originally presented. Accordingly, the Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and withdrawal of this rejection.

Therefore, all objections and rejections having been addressed, it is respectfully submitted that the present application is in a condition for allowance and a Notice to that effect is earnestly solicited.

Should any issues remain unresolved, the Examiner is encouraged to contact the undersigned attorney for Applicant at the telephone number indicated below in order to expeditiously resolve any remaining issues.

Respectfully submitted,

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